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Mr. Harry B. Mitchell
President
U.S. Civil Service Commission
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

I wish to call your attention to the publication in the Federal Register dated 25 September 1947 of the Central Intelligence Agency as an activity of the National Military Establishment in connection with authorization for excepted positions.

Previous issues of the Register and Civil Service Regulations on excepted positions have shown the Central Intelligence Group properly as a separate independent agency.

Attention is invited to the fact that the Central Intelligence Agency is listed under Title I in the National Security Act of 1947, and that the provisions of the Act place this Agency directly under the National Security Council. There is no implication anywhere in the Act that this Agency is a part of the National Military Establishment, which is listed separately under Title II of that Act.

It is requested that the error be corrected and that the excepted status of the Central Intelligence Agency remain, as previously published, as that of a separate independent agency. There is no objection to including the National Security Council with this Agency in view of the fact that we have assumed official responsibility for personnel procurement for the Council.

Sincerely,

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Rear Admiral, USN
Director of Central Intelligence

cc: Chief, Personnel Br. A&M

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FEDERAL REGISTER, 25 September 1947

TITLE V. Administrative Personnel.

Chapter I. Civil Service Commission.

Part 6. Exceptions From The Competitive Service.

Lists Of Positions Excepted

In accordance with the request of the Secretary of National Defense, Section 6.4(a) is amended as set out below, effective upon publication in the Federal Register;

1. Sec. 6.4(a)(4)(xvi) and Sec. 6.4(a)(20)(i) are revoked.
2. A Sec. Subparagraph 20 is added to Sec. 6.4(a), as follows:

Sec. 6.4 Lists of Positions Excepted from the Competitive Service - (a) Schedule A ***

(20) The National Military Establishment.

Office of the Secretary of Defense.

secretaries

(i) Two private/or confidential assistants to the Secretary of Defense.

(ii) Two chauffeurs for the Secretary of Defense.

(iii) Five special advisors to the Secretary of Defense.

National Security Resources Board.

(iv) Six positions of special advisors and research assistants to the Chairman.

National Security Council.

(v) Not to exceed 25 positions.

Central Intelligence Agency.

(vi) All positions.

Research and Development Board.

(vii) 13 Executive Directors, 11 Deputy Directors, 8 Scientific Warfare Advisors, 2 Chiefs of Branches, 1 Head of Section.